

Introduced by Senator Battin

February 10, 2005

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 18— Relative to California Indian Heritage Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 18, as introduced, Battin. Native Americans: California Indian Heritage Month.

This measure would proclaim November 2005 as California Indian Heritage Month, encourage its observance with activities that celebrate our uniqueness as Americans, and commend California Indian nations for their outstanding contributions to this state.

Fiscal committee: no.

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2 WHEREAS, President George W. Bush proclaimed November
3 2003 as National American Indian Heritage Month in recognition
4 of American Indians and Alaskan Natives; and
5 WHEREAS, California Indians, through their rich cultural
6 traditions and proud ancestry, have made vital contributions to
7 the strength and diversity of our society; and
8 WHEREAS, In recognition of the sovereignty of the California
9 Indian nations to be self-governing, self-supporting, and
10 self-reliant, we are working to protect and enhance tribal
11 resources; and
12 WHEREAS, As of the last census, over 330,000 American
13 Indians were living in California, more than any other state; now,
14 therefore, be it
15 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
16 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature proclaims that the month

1 of November 2005 be recognized as California Indian Heritage
2 Month, encourages the observance of this event with activities
3 that celebrate our uniqueness as Americans, and takes this
4 opportunity to commend California Indian nations for their
5 outstanding contributions to this great state; and be it further
6 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of
7 this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.